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TAGS: CASC (ELMER E. ZEEK)

SUBJ: FUGITIVE FROM JUSTICE, ELMER E. ZEEK

REF: BRIDGETOWN 0583

1. ACCORDING TO RELIABLE GRENADIAN SOURCE, COURT HEARINGS ON CHARGES OF FORGERY (UNDER GRENADIAN LAW) LEVELED AGAINST EUGENE ZEEK, KARL KORTE AND NANCY MUELLER, WERE POSTPONED A SECOND TIME, AND, AS WITH THE FIRST POSTPONEMENT, FOR REASONS HAVING LITTLE OR NOTHING TO DO WITH CASE. PRESS ALLEGATIONS THAT ZEEK IS PROTECTED BY GRENADA GOVERNMENT WERE ANSWERED BY PM GAIRY WHO, IN AN EASTER WEEKEND PRESS CONFERENCE, CLAIMED THAT THESE ALLEGATIONS AROSE OUT OF "EMOTIONALISM AND IMPETUOSITY". GAIRY ALLEGED THAT THERE WERE "ONGOING DISCUSSIONS WITH TOP LEVELS OF THE USG" WITH REFERENCE TO THE ZEEK MATTER, BUT SAID PARTICULARS ARE SECRET. GAIRY WENT ON TO SAY THAT US CHARGES AGAINST ZEEK HAVE YET TO BE PROVED AND, AS TO DEPORTATION, HE SAID HIS GOVERNMENT WOULD TAKE NO ACTION UNTIL SITUATION "PRESENTS ITSELF WITH THE NECESSARY LEVEL OF CLARITY." A NEW HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR 19 MAY.

2. UPI REPORT DATED LINED ST. GEORGE'S AND CARRIED TODAY'S (MAY 11)

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ADVOCATE-NEWS STATES ATTORNEY GENERAL CHRISTIAN HAS BEEN

SUSPENDED FROM OFFICE.

3. COMMENT: AS ADDRESSEES WELL AWARE, THERE ARE NO ONGOING
DISCUSSIONS WITH GAIRY ON SUBJECT OF ZEEK'S EXTRADITION
OR DEPORTATION.
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